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FIREARM LICENSE APPLICATION GUIDANCE

AS THE Town OF Ashburnham FIREARMS LICENSING AUTHORITY IT IS MY DESIRE TO PROCESS YOUR LICENSE APPLICATION AS THOROUGHLY AND TIMELY AS POSSIBLE AND YOU CAN HELP. MISSING AND/OR INACCURATE INFORMATION WILL DELAY THE PROCESS AND MAY RESULT IN THE APPLICATION BEING DENIED.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND UNDERSTAND THE INFORMATION BELOW AS IT ADVISES YOU OF THE STATE AND /OR FEDERAL LAW. IT IS NOT WITH IN OUR DISCRETION TO CHANGE OR DISREGARD THEM.

IF YOU APPLICATION IS DENIED, it is usually due to one of the following reasons:

- Disqualifying criminal record;
- False answer to any question on the application;
- False answer to any question asked by the licensing officer or his/her designee; and/or
- Criminal information omitted from (or not attached to) the application is required

All previous in-state and out-of-state criminal appearances are considered in order to determine the "suitability" of all firearm license applicants. This check will include "sealed records."

The application asks specific questions regarding your personal background, past criminal history, etc. You must answer all questions fully and truthfully. Failure to do so could result in your application being denied. You do not have to list any non-criminal traffic offenses.

Question #4 on the application asks, "Have you **ever appeared*** in any court as a defendant for any criminal offense? The key word is "appeared," not necessarily arrested. Having been arrested and convicted of a crime does not necessarily prohibit someone from getting a license to carry firearms or an FID card, not listing it will.

***Please note; "ever appeared" includes all, regardless of where, adult and juvenile court appearances. It does not matter if you were found "not guilty," "not delinquent," the charges were "dismissed," or the case was "continued without a finding," etc. You must account for all appearances. All court appearances will be discovered during our application process. You must indicate if you have a "sealed record" and the offense. When we discover missing or inaccurate information for Question #4, we often hear "I forgot about it," or "they told me it wouldn't show up," or "it never showed up before," or "it was so long ago, I didn't think it mattered," etc. Appearing in a court of law is a memorable event in someone's live and all must be listed on your application.**

If necessary, you may contact the Massachusetts Criminal History Systems Board to learn how to obtain your Massachusetts criminal record check (iCORI), before you submit your application.

By signing below, you acknowledge your understanding of the above information.

DATE: _____

PRINTED NAME: _____ SIGNATURE: _____